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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 15 September 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-20 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-20 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 15 September 2003 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 1-20 are presented for examination.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

3. Claims 1-17 and 19-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Meyerson (US Patent 6,941,356).

4. As per claim 1, Meyerson discloses a method of operating an electronic device without the intervention of a user comprising:

setting a first persona for the electronic device, the first persona defining the parameter values for one or more persona parameters [col. 2, lines 55-59; col. 3, lines 13-29; setting a persona based on a particular configuration without the intervention of a user; col. 3; line 49 -- col. 4, line 35];

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determining a current environment of the electronic device [col. 1, lines 10-12, 42-50; col. 2, 55-59; col. 3, lines 13-29; col. 3; line 49 -- col. 4, line 35]; and

switching to a second persona for the electronic device based upon the current environment of the electronic device, the second persona defining different parameter values for the one or more persona parameters [col. 1, lines 10-12, 42-50; col. 2, 55-59; col. 3, lines 13-29; col. 3; line 49 -- col. 4, line 35].

5. Per claim 8, Meyerson discloses

a persona manager module for entering persona parameter values associated with a plurality of personas stored on the computer readable medium [col. 1, lines 10-12, 42-50; col. 2, lines 55-59; col. 3, lines 13-29; col. 3, line 49 -- col. 4, line 35; the invention automatically configures the personal computer differently depending upon the overall environment it finds itself]; and

a persona activator module for determining a current environment and activating, without user intervention, one of the plurality of personas based on the current environment [col. 1, lines 10-12, 42-50; col. 2, lines 55-59; col. 3, lines 13-29; col. 3, line 49 -- col. 4, line 35].

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6. As per claim 12, Meyerson discloses an electronic device comprising:

means for setting a first persona for the electronic device, the first persona defining the parameter values for one or more persona parameters [col. 2, lines 55-59; col. 3, lines 13-29; setting a persona based on a particular configuration without the intervention of a user; col. 3; line 49 -- col. 4, line 35];

means for determining a current environment of the electronic device [col. 1, lines 10-12, 42-50; col. 2, 55-59; col. 3, lines 13-29; col. 3; line 49 -- col. 4, line 35]; and

means for switching to a second persona for the electronic device based upon the current environment of the electronic device, the second persona defining different parameter values for the one or more persona parameters [col. 1, lines 10-12, 42-50; col. 2, 55-59; col. 3, lines 13-29; col. 3; line 49 -- col. 4, line 35].

7. As per claims 2, 9 and 19, Meyerson discloses that the current environment comprises one of [col. 2, lines 55-59; a new environment; col. 3, lines 13-24; network type; col. 4, lines 20-35; location or type of location in which the personal computer is located].

8. As per claims 3, 10 and 20, Meyerson discloses that the first persona parameters and the second persona parameters comprise at least one of [col. 3, lines 22-24; which programs to start, the typesetting of the user interface; col. 3, lines 54-56; altering the user interface to show or hide different application choices, network choices and peripheral choices].

9. As per claims 4 and 15, Meyerson discloses that at least one of the first persona and the second persona are stored in the electronic device [col. 1, lines 10-12, 42-50; col. 2, 55-59; col. 3, lines 13-29; col. 3; line 49 -- col. 4, line 35].
10. As per claims 5 and 16, Meyerson discloses that at least one of the first persona and the second persona are stored on a remote storage medium [col. 9, lines 55-61].
11. As per claims 6 and 17, Meyerson discloses that the electronic device is a mobile electronic device [col. 3, lines 8-12].
12. As per claim 7, Meyerson discloses that the current environment is based upon the current network the electronic device is connected to [col. 3, lines 13-24].
13. As per claim 11, Meyerson discloses that the persona activator module determines the current environment after the detection of a trigger [col. 3, lines 13-24; network detection; col. 3, line 64 -- col. 4, line 9; opening a web browsing window or switching from the public network to a private network; col. 4, lines 20-35; connected to a printer located in a particular environment].
14. As per claim 13, Meyerson discloses that the current environment is based upon the current network the electronic device is connected to [col. 3, lines 13-24; col. 3, lines 49-64].

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15. As per claim 14, Meyerson discloses that the current environment is based upon being connected with a second electronic device [col. 4, lines 20-35].

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

16. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

17. Claim 18 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Meyerson (US Patent 6,941,356) in view of King et al (US Patent 6,452,614; hereinafter King).

18. As per claim 18, Meyerson discloses the invention substantially. Meyerson does not expressly disclose about displaying a persona icon on a display. But, a routineer in the art would know how to display a persona icon on a display. However, King clearly discloses displaying a persona icon on a display [col. 4, lines 30-33]. Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the cited references as both are directed for switching persona of a computer as required. Moreover, the disclosed auto switching persona system of Meyerson will be benefited with having persona switching menu or icon(s). Thus, a user can change a default persona to a different persona.

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Conclusion

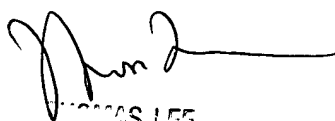
Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Suresh K. Suryawanshi whose telephone number is 571-272-3668. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:00am - 5:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Thomas C. Lee can be reached on 571-272-3667. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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